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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: ____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 11.

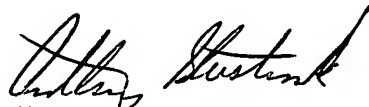
Identification of prior art discussed: Leach (2,961,119) and Stull (5,437,383).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.


Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant contends that there would be no motivation to alter the position of the Stull's hinge such that it would be flush with the lateral wall as shown by Leach since neither Leach or Stull explicitly state the significance of the "flush" structural feature. Examiner disagrees. Leach shows a flush lateral region thereby providing a symmetrical, aesthetically pleasing snap hinge configuration and would therefore maintain this structural feature when being combined with Stull.